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Country Trends

Government Forces: 21,000 armed forces
 9,000 security forces
 30,000 total

Armed Guerrillas: Estimate 5,000 fulltime, similar
 number militia

Government: -- 80-85 percent turnout in March 1982 constituent
 assembly elections.

-- Land Reform:

- Confiscated large estates under Phase I
currently benefit some 30,000 peasant
families.
- Distributed private plots under Phase III
currently benefit 32,000 peasant families;
some 35,000 land titles have been awarded
since March 1980.
- Far right opposition to the reforms in
May/June was successfully countered by
President Magana and the military in
conjunction with protests from the labor
sector and the Christian Democratic Party.
- Armed Forces are improving their combat
performance against the guerrillas as seen by
the taking of prisoners, increased small
patrol operations, better coordination and
planning of major sweeps, and better use of
air and naval support.

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Extreme Left: Estimated strength: 4,000 to 5,000 under arms, perhaps equal number of part time militia, unknown number of supporters and sympathizers (perhaps 10% of rural population).

Estimated or claimed civilian victims due to non-combat political violence:

| | <u>Embassy Statistics</u> | <u>CIA Estimates</u> |
|-------|---------------------------|----------------------|
| 1980: | no uniform data | perhaps 7,000 |
| 1981: | 6085 | perhaps 9,000 |
| 1982: | 2479 | perhaps 4,000 |

Civilian deaths attributable to: (CIA Estimates)

| | <u>Left</u> | <u>Right</u> | <u>Government Non-Combat Operations</u> |
|-------|-------------|--------------|---|
| 1980: | 50 percent | 25 percent | 25 percent |
| 1981: | 40 percent | 30 percent | 30 percent |
| 1982: | 45 percent | 35 percent | 25 percent |

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| | MARXIST/LENINIST OR VIOLENT LEFT | MODERATE POLITICAL FORCES* | | EXTREME OR VIOLENT RIGHT |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Democratic Left and Center | Conservative | |
| Political Parties | PCES UDN MNR | PAR PDC | PCN PPS AD | AREHA POP |
| Guerrilla and Terrorist Groups | FMLN FPL FARN ERP FAL PRTC | | | UGB La Mano Blanca Anti-Communist League Death Squadron |
| Labor Groups | FUSS FESTIAVT- SCES FENESTRAS UTC FECCAS | UPD FESINCON- STRANS CTS CCS UCS ACOPAI CGS Independent Unions ANIS | | |
| Business Groups | | | Alianza Produc- tiva ANEP FENAPES | |

*Includes all political forces which do not use violence and which are not in coalition with the extreme right or extreme left.

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